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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 4600-0129PUS1
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2005/003053	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 24 February 2005	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/591172</b>
		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 1 March 2004
TITLE OF INVENTION NOVEL METHOD FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF NUCLEIC ACID WITHOUT PROTECTING BASE MOIETY		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Mitsuo SEKINE; Kohji SEIO; and Akihiro OHKUBO		
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20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Return Receipt Postcard PCT/ISA/210; PCT/IB/301; PCT/IB/304; PCT/IB/308; PCT/IB/311; PCT/IB/332; Sequence Listing - One (1) Page		
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Independent claims	1 - 3 =	x 0.00
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by ½.		
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LETTER

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Sir:

The PTO is requested to use the amended sheets/claims attached hereto (which correspond to Article 34 amendments) during prosecution of the above-identified national phase PCT application.

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